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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte: FUMITAKE YODO

Application No. 09/923,618 Technology Center: 3600

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Before GLORIA HENDERSON, Review Team Paralegal HENDERSON, Review Team Paralegal.

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on February 10, 2009. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

REPLY BRIEF NOTED

On October 29, 2007, applicant filed a timely Reply Brief. In accordance with the revision effective September 13, 2004, Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §41.43 states:

(a)(1)... the primary examiner must acknowledge receipt and entry of the reply brief. In addition, the primary examiner may withdraw the final rejection and reopen prosecution or may furnish a supplemental examiner's answer responding to any new issue raised in the reply brief.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is electronically returned to the Examiner for consideration and proper response to the Reply Brief filed October 29, 2007, and for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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